

PROCLAMATION FARMERS MARKET WEEK AUGUST 1-7, 2004

WHEREAS, farmers markets are important outlets for providing high quality, farm fresh, nutritional foods; and

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of consumers are discovering the benefits of shopping for unique ingredients sold directly from the farm in their freshest possible state; and

WHEREAS, the development and operation of farmers markets and other direct-tomarket marketing activities for agricultural producers are supported and promoted throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are encouraged to recognize the benefits of farmers markets and the contributions of our farmers in providing wholesome, nutritious food; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim August 1-7, 2004, **FARMERS MARKET WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State